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Elderly Persons Question Medicare Insurance Plan

Daniel J. Murphy Jr., district manager of social security in Springfield, Mass., reports, "Many older people are asking these days: 'Now that I've been given another chance to sign up for the doctor bill insurance part of medicare, will somebody tell me whether this is a good buy?'"

Mr. Murphy explained that those persons who were 65 or older in 1965 could enroll for the voluntary medical insurance part of the program in any of the last three months of 1965 or the first five months of 1966. Those who reached 65 after 1965 have the three months before the month they were 65, that month, and the three months thereafter to get this protection for themselves.

Now, as provided by law, those who originally turned it down have an opportunity to reconsider their earlier decision. Then, if they decide to sign up, they may do so at any time in the last three months of 1967 and the first three months of 1968.

Medical insurance helps pay doctor bills and other medical services not covered under the hospital insurance part of medicare. Services of doctors are covered no matter where received—in their offices, the home, or in a hospital. Up to 100 home health visits a year by nurses and other health workers are also covered, as are laboratory tests and various other medical services and goods, he explained. "As to whether it is a 'good buy,' I can only point out that the older person pays only half of the premium costs, with the Government paying the other half. This has been \$3 monthly for each since the program started, and will continue in this amount, at least through March 1968. As provided by law, studies are going on as to whether the present rate will have to be increased, and by how much," he said. The premium rate for 1968 and 1969 will be announced before January, he noted.

Finally, he gave a few examples of how medicare has helped people who have the protection of both parts of the program:

"We'd be on welfare if it

were't for medicare," says Charles James, 74, of Eugene, Oregon, whose wife is being treated for a complicated bone problem. "And I know a lot of people who would tell you the same thing."

James and his wife, Florence, 68, live in the low-rent-for-the-ageing apartment houses at Third Avenue and High Street in Eugene. They are both on social security and their combined income is \$165.60.

The Jameses' records show that her hospital and doctor bills have totaled more than \$2,500.

But thanks to medicare, including doctor bill insurance, they have had to pay little more than \$100.

Because Mrs. James' surgery left a wound that must be dressed, a nurse visits her every morning. This service is supplied by the Home Health Service Agency, a Lane County operation set up to implement medicare.

Mr. Merle Gruy, who lives in a mobile home in Painesville, Ohio, underwent open-heart surgery in September. Nine doctors attended him. Medicare paid \$4,401 of his total hospital and medical expenses of \$4,736, with the voluntary doctor bill insurance carrying a large part of the load.

Local Coin Club To Meet Jan. 8

The Agawam Coin Club will hold their first meeting of the new year Jan. 8th at the Agawam Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Leo Perras from Easthampton will display some of his outstanding coinage of world crowns.

The meeting will cover a short business session, a social hour, refreshments and one of the best auctions to date. A complete report of the second annual coin show will be submitted.

Freshman Class Dance Saturday

The Freshman class of Agawam High School is sponsoring an Oldie but Goodie Dance this Saturday evening, Jan. 6, from 8 until 11 p. m. at the high school.

Featured at the dance will be "Yesterday's Tomorrow," an all-girl band, silent movies of the 20's, and oldies but goodies from the past 5 years.

Tickets can be obtained through the freshman home room representatives or at the door. Dress is casual or costume and the dance is open to all Agawam High students.

Mothers of Twins Club Meet Monday

The Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will meet Monday, Jan. 8, 1968 at 8 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral, 35 Chestnut St., Springfield.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Ralph Levin-Epstein, who will speak on "Twins."

Dr. Levin-Epstein is on the staff at the Holyoke and Providence Hospitals, and is a Holyoke Pediatrician.

All mothers of twins are cordially invited to attend.

Completes Basic At Lackland AFB



AIRMAN J. J. QUINN, JR.

SAN ANTONIO — Airman James J. Quinn, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Quinn of 47 Harvey Johnson Drive, Agawam, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as an administrative specialist with a unit of the Strategic Air Command at Whiteman AFB, Mo. Airman Quinn, a 1965 graduate of Agawam High School, attended Andover Institute, Springfield, Mass.

Dawson Completes Driver Course

FT. JACKSON, S. C. (AHT-NC) — Army Private Ronald E. Dawson, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Dawson, 55 Poinsetta St., Agawam, completed a light vehicle driver course at Ft. Jackson, S. C., Dec. 8.

During the course, he was trained in the operation and maintenance of military vehicles up to and including the two and one-half ton truck. Instruction was also given in the operation of the internal combustion engine and chassis assembly.

VWWI Card Party Winners

The second game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening at the Agawam National Guard Armory. Door prize winners were Agnes Charest, Florence Steere, Lawrence Duclos and Emma Piancenza.

Mystery prizes were won by Walter Haggerty, Eugene Knightly and Jessie Tompkins. Ace prize for the ladies was won by Emma Piancenza and James Cleary for the men.

High score prizes were won by: Ladies—1st F. Leblanc, 2nd Mabel Miller, 3rd Florence, 4th Betty Allard; Men—1st Walter Haggerty, 2nd Eugene Knightly, 3rd Les Newcomb, 4th Ralph Stetson.

Agawam Civic Association

Dear Member,

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Association is about to launch the year 1968 with a terrific and free program exposing the rise in the use of drugs.

An expert, Sheriff John F. Boyle, will explain its phenomenal rise and concrete cases will be supplied by three inmates who have been "hooked" by the habit.

We will finalize plans for this free lecture on Sunday, Jan. 7th at 8 p.m. at the Town Hall. Please do your best to attend. Important matters will be decided... things of interest to you and of importance to our town.

A new chairman of the ASSOCIATION will be voted in.

Sincerely,
Rev. James G. Shea, C.S.S.

Aliens Must File Address Report Form This Month

Federal Law requires all non-citizens in the United States on Jan. 1st of each year to complete Form I-53 "Alien Address Report."

All non-citizens admitted for

permanent residence regardless of age or period of residence, and all non-immigrants in the United States for limited periods, such as students, visitors, exchange personnel, etc., must comply with this statutory requirement.

Diplomats, members of certain international organizations, such as the United Nations, who have not abandoned their status, are exempt.

Form I-53 "Alien Address Report" will be available at all United States Post Offices and Immigration and Naturalization Service Offices during business hours from Jan. 2 to Jan. 31, 1968, inclusive.

Boston District Immigration and Naturalization Service Offices are located at John F. Kennedy Federal Bldg., Room E-107, Boston, Mass. 02203, Tel. 223-2395 and 304 Post Office Building, Springfield, Mass. 01103, Tel. 781-2420, Ext. 348.

Child Psychiatrist Guest Speaker At Peirce PTA Meeting

The Faolin Peirce Parent Teachers Association will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 7:45 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The January meeting is a "Salute to Fathers Night," but it is hoped that a large turnout of mothers and fathers will attend because of the type of program.

Dr. James A. Smith, senior psychiatrist at the Child Guidance Clinic of Springfield will be the guest speaker. Dr. Smith is also consultant psychiatrist at the Children's Study Home in Springfield. Prior to coming to Springfield in 1960, Dr. Smith was staff psychiatrist at the Hartley-Salmon Child Guidance Clinic in Hartford for five years and consultant psychiatrist to the Children's Services of Connecticut. His wide background and experiences in working with children should make this a very valuable and informative evening. Questions will be welcomed in the discussion period following Dr. Smith's talk.

Refreshments will be served and a social hour will follow the formal part of the meeting.

Weiner To Head 'Y' Gym Program

Mario Sakellis, executive director of the Agawam YMCA announced today that Mr. Raymond Weiner of 73 Hanward Hill, East Longmeadow, will be the Director of the Little Fellas and Gals Gym classes which will start at the High School on Jan. 6th. These will continue for 10 weeks.

Mr. Weiner, Physical Education Instructor of the Town of Agawam in 1967 is presently the Physical Education Supervisor for the State of Massachusetts at the Belchertown State School. He has worked for a Day Camp and is a graduate of Springfield College. He will be assisted by Mr. Carmino Biagini and a group of YMCA Junior Leaders.

The program starts Jan. 6th at 10 a.m. and registrations are now being taken at the YMCA office. Parents must register in advance of the program. This program is open to YMCA members and non-members who wish to join. For further information call the Y, 733-9676.

Junior Grange #105 Luncheon Saturday

Community Junior Grange 105 will meet Saturday, Jan. 6th at the Grange Home, North West St., Feeding Hills, at 12:30 for its annual "dues-paying" luncheon. Members must pay dues in advance in order to receive the new annual pass-word which admits them to meetings.

The regular business meeting conducted by Douglas Favreau, master, will follow the luncheon. During this, the degree will be conferred on new members. A program will be presented by the lecturer, Peter Meyer. All arrangements will be supervised by Earl C. Bradway, Junior Patron.

Roller Skating Classes To Start At Riverside Rink

Would you like to learn how to roller skate, or improve your skating ability? Riverside Roller Rink will hold classes Saturday afternoon from 12:30 to 1:15 for children 5 to 14 years of age.

There is a beginners class for those just learning and an advance class for those who wish to learn dances. Instruction will be by a registered professional.

What is the cost? Not one cent—it is FREE—and they say at Riverside, "If They Can Walk, They Can Skate."

Western N.E. College To Increase Tuition

A five dollar tuition increase per semester hour, effective September 1968, for both day and evening divisions at Western New England College was announced today by WNEC President Beaumont A. Herman.

According to Dr. Herman, the day division rate moves from \$37 to \$42 per semester hour and from \$35 to \$40 per semester hour in the evening division. The yearly tuition charge for a day division student carrying a normal full-time load will climb to \$1260, as compared to this year's \$1110. Even with this tuition increase, WNEC will have one of the lowest tuition rates in the country for private colleges.

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'Camelot' 4-H Benefit Performance Jan. 21

A benefit performance for the Hampden County 4-H Service Club will be held on Sunday evening of Jan. 21st at 8:15 at Cinema 3 with the showing of the movie "Camelot." The proceeds of this program will be used to continue service projects and to help defray expenses for the exchange trip to Maryland this summer.

This is a county wide organization for older 4 H'ers (14 to 19 years old) to render service in the community. The membership consists of approximately 65 young people.

Tickets and information may be obtained by contacting Nicholas Demko, Town chairman, or any of the other members as follows: Brad Alheim, Dennis Dirosa, Liz Crouss, Michael Demko, Jr., general chairman of the Theatre Party, Ken Strom and Steve Swiconek or the 4-H Office at 1499 Memorial Ave., West Springfield, Mass.

Tickets should be purchased before Jan. 11.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam
 Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
 Ronald Ashton, Lay Leader
 Mrs. Herbert Binns, Organist
 Mrs. Marshall Keyes
 Sanctuary Choir Director
 Mary Alexander,
 Youth Choir Director
 Sandra Garfield,
 Church Secretary

Thursday—7:30 p.m. Steering Committee for "Fit to Be Tied" program.

Friday—6:15 p.m. Bowling Teams at West Side; 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Cadettes.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. The church at worship. Nursery for infants. Church School in session through sixth grade; 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups meet at the church; 6:45 p.m. Informal Worship Service; 8 p.m. Agawam Civic Association.

Monday—6:30 p.m. Junior Choir practice; 7:30 p.m. Women's Society of Christian Service; 7:30 p.m. All Commissions meet.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Youth Choir practice.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Sanctuary choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
 Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director
 Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist
 Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
 Church Secretary

Thursday—7:30 p.m. Choir to rehearse in Bodurtha Hall.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE. Rev. Lockhart will preach the morning worship service. . . Choir will sing and the Pastor will talk with the children. Communion will be served.

Monday—8 p.m. Mother's Circle to meet at church.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Church Committee to meet in Bodurtha Hall.

Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
 Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,
 Minister of Music

Friday—4 p.m. Pastor's Class for young people preparing to unite with the Church; 7 p.m. Boy Scouts meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church at Morning Worship and Church School, Nursery thru 6th Grade; 10 a.m. Church School, Grade 7 through 12th; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship and Church School, Nursery thru 6th Grade.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Deacon's meeting; 8 p.m. Friendly Workers.

Wednesday—6:30 p.m. Senior High Choir rehearsal; 7:30 p.m. Adult Religious Education Class.

Thursday—12 Noon. The Ladies Aid Society will entertain the Baptist Church Ladies for Luncheon. The Rev. Calvin Fletcher will speak on the "The Migrant Worker."

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
 Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor
 Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist
 Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church School Classes; 11 a.m. Worship with Communion; 6 p.m. Youth Groups meet in Griswold Hall.

Monday—7:30 p.m. Board of Deacons and Deaconesses meeting in the Spear Room.

Wednesday—7 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS
 Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
 Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,
 Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE
 Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Holy Communion.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Senior choir practice at the church.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
 Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday—9 a.m. CCD classes, grades 1 to 6; Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE
 Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Monday—CCD classes for all students in grades 7 thru 12 at 7 p.m.

Tuesday—5:30 p.m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard

MASS SCHEDULE
 Daily Mass—7 a.m.

Saturday—8 a.m. Mass—4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday—7, 9 and 11 a.m. Mass.

Tuesday—7 p.m. St. Theresa Novena Devotions

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Fresh Apples Complement Corned Beef



The emphasis is on flavor rather than frills in this tasteful pairing of favorite family foods. Hearty and homey, the Fresh Apples and Corned Beef Platter features tart and tangy all-purpose Washington Winesap apples as the perfect taste complement to savory corned beef with cabbage wedges. The Washington Winesap, a late-harvested, rosy-red apple, with a tangy flavor, and crisp, fine-grained flesh, will keep both flavor and shape as it's being cooked with the meat and cabbage. The addition of caraway seeds adds a piquant touch to this easy-does-it dinner.

Fresh Apple-Corned Beef Platter

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| 4 lbs. corned beef | 1 tbsp. caraway seeds |
| 1 stalk celery and leaves | Washington Winesap |
| 1 carrot, thinly sliced | apples, cut in ¾ inch |
| 1 small onion, quartered | rounds |
| sprigs of parsley | 1 medium cabbage, cut in |
| | wedges |

Cover corned beef with cold water, add celery stalk and leaves, finely sliced carrot, quartered onion and parsley sprigs. Bring to boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer until meat is tender (about 4 or 5 hours.) About 15 minutes before serving time increase heat, add caraway seeds, apple rounds and cabbage wedges (secured with picks.) Bring to boil, cook 5 minutes, reduce heat to simmer and continue cooking about 5 minutes more or until apples and cabbage are tender. Place corned beef on a platter and surround with cabbage wedges and apple slices. Serves 6.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"
 Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
 Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director
 Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
 Mrs. Richard Orr,
 Church Secretary

Sunday—10 a.m. Morning Worship and Sunday School in Boeder House.

Wednesday—7 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Thursday—7:30 p.m. Bible Study.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.
 West Springfield, Mass.

Rev. John N. Garner, Pastor

Sunday—9:45 a.m., Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m., morning worship service. There is a supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p.m., evening service

(Bible Baptist Church is in fellowship with the General Assn. of Regular Baptist Churches and the American and International Councils of Christian Churches).

Western N. E. . . .

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The WNEC Board of Trustees approved the increase recently, noting that this increase is necessary in order for WNEC to provide the kind of education and to attract the caliber of faculty which have come to be expected at the College. Other reasons for the tuition increase given by the Trustees were: increased prices of

College purchases, materials, and services.

An effort to increase WNEC's scholarship aid program will be made, added President Herman.

U. S. STAMPS FOR 1968

Postmaster General Lawrence F. O'Brien announced today that commemorative postage stamps to be issued next year will include:

● A series depicting early American Flags.

● The first stamp in a new wildlife conservation series.

● A stamp marking the 300th anniversary of Fr. Jacques Marquette's explorations of the territory that is now a part of the United States.

The three stamps will be for first-class postage. This brings to 10 the number of stamps announced for next year's program. About 15 commemorative stamps are issued annually.

Time and place of issuance will be announced later.

American Flags of the Revolution greatly varied in design. On Feb. 20, 1776, the Continental Congress issued an order permitting colonels of regiments to fly flags "such as they could procure and might deem proper." More than a year later, the Flag Resolution defined a flag of seven red and six white stripes with 13 stars in a field of blue, but the arrangement of the stars and the proportional aspects of the flag were vague. Various seamstresses turned out different versions.

A number of these early American Flags will be printed on the same pane of stamps.



Mario Sakellis, executive director of the Agawam YMCA, announced today that Carmine Biagini will assist Mr. Raymond Weiner in the Saturday morning Little Fellas and Gals Gym Class. The classes start Jan. 6th at the High School Gymnasium. Classes are held from 10-12 noon and are open to boys and girls grades 1-6. Registrations are now being taken at the "Y" office. Mr. Biagini has worked with youngsters in Day Camps and as Camp Director at Camp Mill Brook, the Agawam YMCA Day Camp.

MOVIES AT THE "Y"

Mario Sakellis, executive director, announced that starting Saturday, Jan. 6th, afternoon at 2 there will be movies for boys and girls at the Agawam YMCA.

This program is open to members and non-members. A small fee will be charged to help defray the cost of the film. In addition to a feature film there will be an action filled and exciting serial. The feature film will be "Apache Chief"—the serial film will be "Burn-Em-Up Barnes."

For further information call the "Y", 733-9676.

Front Door Should Match House Style

You wouldn't wear a baseball cap with evening clothes. Why have a front door that doesn't match the mood and character of your house?

Architects and designers agree that a house entrance should reflect and authenticate the style of a house. It should also be a decorative highlight of the house exterior. And, as the gateway for visitors, it should look attractive and welcoming.

Selecting a front door that beautifies your home and matches its decor is no problem. Good-looking panel doors of ponderosa pine, in stock sizes and a wide range of styles, are as near as the local lumber dealer. They're precision-manufactured for good fit and easy installation, and are factory-treated with a chemical preservative to withstand weather abuse.

If you have a Colonial home, the six-panel or Cross-and-Bible door is especially appropriate. This door has four upper panels that form the shape of a cross, and two lower panels that represent the open pages of a Bible. It's a duplication of the original hand-crafted Colonial doors which were so designed because the religious implications were believed to scare off evil spirits.

Wood panel doors compliment both traditional and contemporary house styles. Some available styles are: the 15-panel Tudor door, the eight-panel Florentine design, the Dutch door which has two separately operating halves, the nine-light door which has small-pane glass panels, the three-panel door in which panels can be fitted with decorative inserts, and the Mediterranean and Spanish designs. For twice the dramatic impact, you can use any of these styles as a double entry—two full doors installed side by side.

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Round The Town



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NORTHAMPTON — Frances M. Siano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Siano, 375 Suffolk St., Agawam, has been named to the Northampton Commercial College dean's list for the academic quarter ended Nov. 10. A '67 graduate of Agawam High School, she is majoring in medical secretarial studies at NCC.

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Davilli and children, Jeri-Ann, Tom and Marty of 229 North St., Feeding Hills, returned recently from Clemson, South Carolina, where they attended graduation exercises for their son, Barry, who received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Clemson University. He was also commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Ordnance Div. of the U.S. Army.

Also accompanying them on their trip was Miss Jeannette Barry of McKinley St., sister of Mrs. Davilli and Jerome Luke, fiance of Jeri-Ann Davilli.



Pancake Party by Betty Crocker

All you need is griddle and guests — and with little to-do, you can turn your home into a Pancake House. If guests include men or children, or both, let them flip their own flapjacks for more fun. Griddle at one end of the table, with pitcher of batter ... coffee and juice at the other ... toppings in between.

Offer a variety of toppings, at least three. That's what makes pancakes a party. Lots of bacon, too. Or a meat and sauce combination with tiny sausage balls swimming in hot maple syrup. More coffee perking in the kitchen, and that's it. Now for some basics and flourishes.

BASIC RECIPE FOR PANCAKES

2 cups Bisquick
1 egg
1 1/2 cups milk

Beat ingredients together with rotary beater until smooth. Grease griddle, if necessary. Turn pancakes when bubbles appear and before they break. Makes about eighteen 4-inch pancakes.

For thinner pancakes, add more milk. For thicker pancakes, add more Bisquick ... To keep them hot, place between folds of towel in warm oven. Or place pancakes separately on rack in very low oven with door open. Don't stack ... Then to doll them up, try these luscious toppings.

Special Cherry Pancakes: Set out a bowl of dairy sour cream. Pour contents of 1 can (1 pound

5 ounces) cherry pie filling into another bowl. Guests spread each pancake of a small stack with sour cream and top with a spoonful of cherry filling.

Or, Fruit-patch Delight: Set out a bowl of sweetened fresh raspberries (or thawed frozen raspberries) and a pitcher of Orange Sauce (below). Just pour sauce over a small stack of pancakes and spoon on raspberries. **Orange Sauce:** Combine 1/2 cup butter or margarine, 2 tablespoons sugar and 1/2 cup orange juice; heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Makes about 1/2 cup.

Serve honey butter, too. Whip 1/2 cup soft butter with 1/2 cup honey until fluffy ... To spice up the coffee, add a dash of cinnamon before brewing ... And your pancake party is casual but unusual.

See Sox April 15

The Boston Red Sox open their 1968 Fenway Park season against the Detroit Tigers on Monday, April 15. They actually begin defense of their American League championship at Detroit April 9.

Boston's home schedule lists 78 dates for 81 games, including Patriot's Day and July 4. There will be 36 night games, four less than last season.

Only three doubleheaders are scheduled, June 2 versus Baltimore, July 7 with Minnesota, and July 21 against Washington.

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"Resolved, that I will not start smoking cigarettes, a habit which may be hard to break, and which may cost me my health and my life."

With youthful cigarette smokers increasing at the rate of more than 1 million a year, Western Chapter, Massachusetts Heart Association, today proposed the foregoing New Year's resolution for the young people of this country.

The Chapter pointed out that damage to the heart and lungs begins early among cigarette smokers, and that there is evidence to indicate young tissues are more severely affected than old.

"Before becoming addicted to cigarettes," said the Heart Association, "the young person should know that a number of disorders—among them heart attack, stroke, hypertensive heart disease, lung cancer, emphysema, chronic bronchitis and peptic ulcer—are triggered or aggravated by cigarettes."

"These and other cigarette-associated disorders are responsible for more than 125,000 premature deaths in the United States each year, and are believed responsible for about 20 per cent of all time lost from business and industry," the Association spokesman added.

Cigarette smoking is not only costly to health but to the pocketbook as well, the Heart Association representative said, pointing out that the expense for the first

ten years of smoking may well exceed \$3,000—almost enough to finance one year of a college education.

The Association emphasized that the best way to deal with the cigarette problem is to refrain from taking the first puff. If this is done, said the Heart Association, the individual not only avoids the possibility of illness and premature death but also the added problem of having at some time to discontinue smoking.

One father has announced that he assembled a Christmas toy this year, using nothing but the extra parts left over from toys he assembled on other Christmases.

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Red Cross Aid For Hanoi

Geneva

The League of Red Cross Societies announced it has sent about \$19,200 worth of medical supplies and laboratory equipment to North Vietnam.

It added that another shipment of medical supplies would be sent to Viet Cong controlled areas of South Vietnam through the North Vietnamese Red Cross in the near future. These would be destined for the civilian population in the area, it said.

The league sent a first shipment of medical supplies to Hanoi in June.

Columbia, Tenn., Herald — "Maybe ... a Marine's pay could be raised, say to what we pay those on welfare here at home?"

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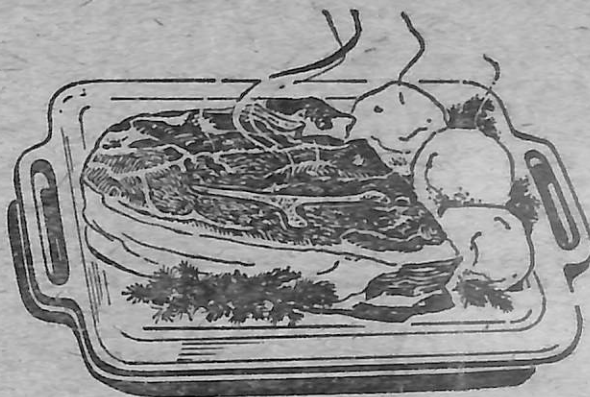
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Short Memories

A special supplement of a late issue of The Reader's Digest contains a series of articles dealing with "Medicines and Your Family's Health." The series recalls facts that reveal in a most startling manner the shortness of human memory—particularly the memories of those who today are making a crusade of pillorying the U. S. pharmaceutical industry.

One of the articles asks, "What Ever Became of Those Quarantine Signs?" Most of us have forgotten those signs, yet they were a familiar sight. They appeared with chilling suddenness on the doors of homes in every community warning visitors to stay away because a dread communicable disease was present within. The signs were affixed by the order of the City Health Officer. It was the only way of preventing the spread of such scourges as diphtheria, whooping cough, scarlet fever, smallpox, polio and many others.

Such quarantine signs are no longer in evidence for one very good reason. Drugs have been discovered and mass produced by the nation's leading drug firms that have literally wiped out yesterday's killers. Nearly everyone remembers the history of polio. According to the Digest piece, polio in 1952 claimed nearly 58,000 victims, but in 1963, only 431 cases were reported, and by 1965, the annual toll had dropped to 61. Polio was beaten by a vaccine. "But," in the words of the Digest article, "it took the science and skills of American drug companies to make these vaccines available to millions of people at low cost."

Yes, the old quarantine signs that proclaimed suffering and death have disappeared. They were made obsolete by medical advances, improved sanitation, public health agencies and the scientific resourcefulness of research-oriented drug companies.



SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Question: Television sets in hospital rooms are excluded from coverage under the medicare program. Could you tell me if there is ever an exception to this rule?

Answer: The exclusion of television sets from coverage under the medicare program was made on the theory that it did not contribute meaningfully to the treatment of an illness or injury.

As the medicare program became operational, it was pointed out that in some hospitals, television sets are available although they are not requested by the patient. These hospitals often have the sets permanently installed as part of the communications system within the hospital and they are thus made available to the patient routinely. No specific charge is made for these items and the hospital usually includes

the cost of these items in the overall room rate.

After a careful review of this situation it was decided that hospitals should be reimbursed for the costs of these communications systems when they are permanently installed in all patients' rooms and they are an integral part of the nurse-call system. In order to be reimbursed, however, the hospital has to routinely provide the service which is not subject to patient option and cannot charge separately for the item.

Television systems providing only entertainment are not allowable as a cost of inpatient hospital care. Systems that provide only communications between nurse and patient are fully allowable, and systems combining both of these features are allowable to

the extent of the costs of purchase, installation and repair of the patient-nurse communications part of the installation.

Q. I'm 28 years old and have been paying the maximum social security tax for the past nine years. It seems to me that we younger workers are bearing the brunt of increasing social security contributions. Is it true that we'll be paying much more into the system than we'll get out of it?

A. Using yourself as an example, you have paid just under \$1700 in social security contributions so far. You have protection worth \$50,000 to \$75,000, payable in monthly benefits to your family if you should die or become disabled for work.

Many young workers think of social security in terms of retirement, old age, and medicare. Social security means even more to younger people — it can mean nearly \$340 a month to disabled workers and their families or to widowed mothers and their children. A worker who becomes entitled to disability benefits can continue to get monthly checks for as long as he is disabled and unable to work. Suppose a young father of two children, both under five, is killed in an accident, and that his average earnings covered by social security were \$450 a month. His widow and children would receive as much as \$328 each month in social security, nearly \$4000 each year. By the time the oldest child reaches 18 his family could have received nearly \$51,000. And this would not be all—the widow could receive monthly benefits when she reaches 60, and the children could receive benefit payments until they reach 22 if they continue their education.

In addition to the \$1700 in contributions you've paid up to now, you will pay another \$11,300 in social security taxes by the time you reach 65 and retire. To that add the interest that would have accumulated over the years—just about doubling the amount of actual dollars you paid into the social security trust funds. For a total "investment" of \$25,000 in social security, today's young worker, who lives on another 13 years after reaching 65 (the average male life expectancy at 65), can expect a return of \$32,000. This return would be in the form of retirement benefits for himself and his wife while he lives, and for his widow during the five years by which she typically will outlive him. The amount is based on the schedule of taxes and benefits now in the social security law.

The social security program, unlike an ordinary insurance contract, does not promise to return a fixed number of dollars for a fixed premium. In past years, as earnings and prices have risen, benefits also have risen. There is every reason to expect that this pattern will continue. So younger workers can expect not only that they will get their money's worth for their social security contributions, they can also reasonably expect that the social security benefits payable to them and their dependents will be substantially higher than today's benefits.

Raccoon Visits City

Raccoons enjoy cities as well as suburbs and countryside. Not long ago, a stray coon staged a sit-in on a second-story ledge of the Treasury Department.



January 8

through

January 12

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Grilled luncheon meat w/pineapple, parsley potatoes, applesauce, rye bread/butter (peanut butter sandwich), gingerbread w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, frank-furt on buttered roll, potato chips, buttered green beans, prune cake, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hamburger special, (hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, mayonnaise), potato chips, peanut butter sandwich, jello w/opping, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, turkey a la king on hot biscuit, buttered peas/carrots, cranberry sauce, bread/butter (peanut butter sandwich), cookies, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, grilled cheese sandwich, celery/carrot sticks, peanut butter sandwich, deep dish apple pie (cheese wedge), milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Meat loaf w/creole sauce, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, chocolate pudding, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, shell macaroni w/meat balls, tossed salad, pineapple chunks, bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg on bun, green beans, peanut butter sandwich, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday: Juice, turkey and gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potato, peas, bread/butter, ice cream cup, milk.

Friday: Tuna fish salad, tossed salad, buttered carrots, bread/butter, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, grilled frank-furt w/buttered roll, relish, mustard, buttered corn, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Elbow macaroni w/meat, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, rye bread/butter, cheese wedge, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Beef stew w/vegetables, hot biscuit w/butter, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Mashed potatoes, hamburger gravy, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Pizza w/cheese, tomato sauce, tossed salad, peanut butter cookies, applesauce, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered roll, relish, catsup, cheese wedge, whole kernel corn, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, meat loaf w/tomato sauce, fluffy rice, buttered carrots, pan roll/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, meat ravioli w/meat sauce, buttered green beans, peanut butter sandwich, cheese stick, apple crisp, milk.

Thursday: Yankee pot roast in brown gravy, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday: Codfish cakes, baked beans, (catsup), lettuce/tomato salad, raisin cookies, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Orange juice, baked beans w/frankfurt rings, carrot sticks, cheese wedge, hot buttered raisin corn bread, whipped jell w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Hot turkey sandwich w/brown gravy, buttered kernel corn, cranberry sauce, grapefruit sections, milk.

Wednesday: Baked hash, buttered leaf spinach, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, pineapple cream pudding, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, roast beef in natural juice, buttered sliced potatoes, Harvard beets, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni w/cheese and tomatoes, buttered peas/carrots, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Chicken noodle soup w/vegetables, meat sandwiches, orange wedges, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, spice cake w/frosting, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg and macaroni baked w/tomato sauce, cabbage/carrot salad, bread/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Thursday: Roast beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered cabbage, bread/butter, dessert, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad sandwich, tossed green salad w/spinach greens, cheese sticks, apple, milk.

ROBINSON PARK

Monday: Orange juice, meat ball grinders w/sauce, buttered carrots, cheese wedge, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Elbow macaroni w/meat-tomato sauce, buttered green beans, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, frankfurt on buttered roll, buttered cabbage, potato sticks, white cake w/raspberry topping, milk.

Thursday: Tomato soup w/rice, raw vegetable sticks, ham sandwich, peanut butter cookie, fruit, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, tossed green salad, potato chips, gingerbread w/applesauce topping, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, homemade turkey noodle soup w/vegetables, crackers, celery sticks, turkey salad on rye, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday: Meat balls in Tomato sauce on grinder roll, cheese sticks, A.B.C. salad, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Cranberry juice, bacon cheeseburger on buttered bun, buttered spinach, apple crisp, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/meat-sauce w/grated cheese, lettuce salad w/french dressing, buttered Vienna bread, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Tuna fish salad roll w/lettuce, buttered peas, pineapple upsidedown cake w/topping, milk.

And Impertinent

Centralia, Wash. Everyone taking classes at Centralia Community College's adult evening school is asked to fill out a registration form, including blanks after "date of birth: day, month, year."

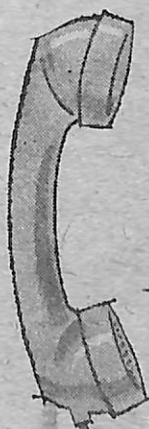
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March of Dimes Reports Rare Case: A Twin Is Spared Her Sister's Fate

Screaming sirens pierced the quiet of a cold winter night three years ago, waking the Schmidt household and sending Joanne, older of the five-month-old twins, into a screaming session of her own.

But Carol Anne, "the little one," slept through all the noise.

"It was then that we really knew," recalls Mrs. John L. Schmidt of Long Island City, N. Y. "My husband and I had always suspected, but never really admitted to ourselves, that 'the little one' couldn't hear."

The blonde, blue-eyed Schmidt twins were born a minute apart on Columbus Day, 1964, but the difference between them is much more than a mere 60 seconds.

Their mother was stricken with German measles (rubella) early in pregnancy—so early that at the time she did not even know she was pregnant. The rubella virus caused Mrs. Schmidt only temporary discomfort and apparently left Joanne unaffected.

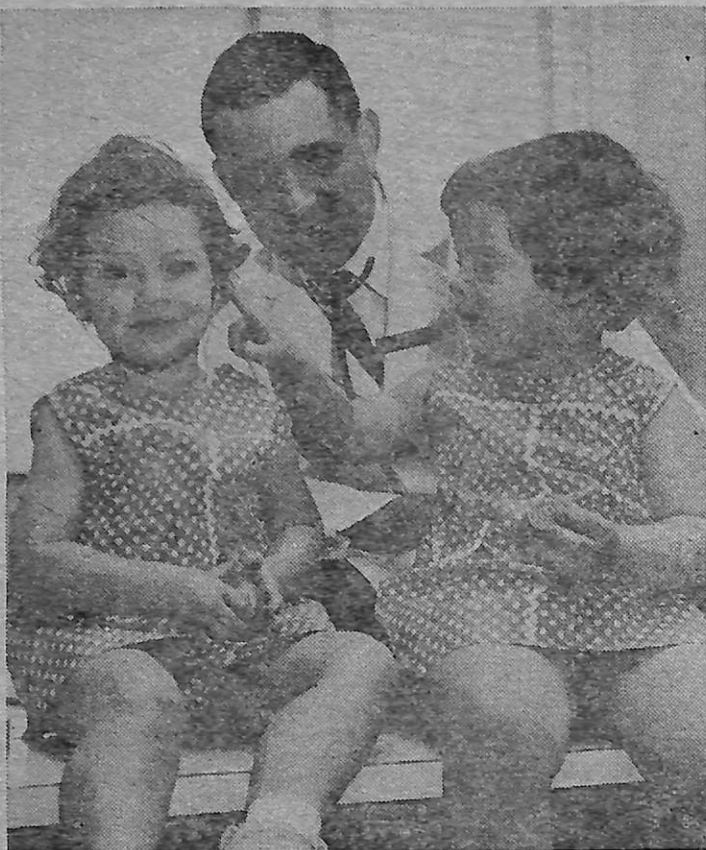
But for the other developing twin, Carol Anne, the result was tragic. She has suffered from near-total hearing loss since birth. Moreover, she has a heart defect and her general physical development has been slower than that of her sister.

What happened to the Schmidt twins is rare, if not unique.

"I have seen some cases where both twins were affected," the physician-in-charge of the March of Dimes-financed Rubella Birth Defects Evaluation Project at New York University Medical Center said in a recent interview, "but this is the first case I have seen in which one twin has been spared."

The physician is Dr. Louis Z. Cooper, assistant professor of pediatrics at the university, who has examined the Schmidt twins and hundreds of other congenital rubella victims as part of the March of Dimes project.

The day a woman gives birth is, to say the least, filled with emotion and expectation. On that October day in 1964, the emotional stress on Eleanor Schmidt was particularly intense.



THESE TWINS are a medical mystery. Joanne Schmidt, right was born healthy, but Carol Anne was born with physical defects caused by German measles (rubella). With them is Dr. Louis Z. Cooper at March of Dimes Rubella Birth Defects Center.

"We had no idea of what to expect. The doctors told us what rubella could do if contracted early in pregnancy. After the girls were born, we were just grateful it wasn't more serious," Mrs. Schmidt said.

She recalled that at birth Joanne was two pounds heavier and two inches longer than Carol Anne. Now the older twin is 12 pounds heavier than her sister.

"The little one," who wears a hearing aid in each ear, has been enrolled for half her young life in an auditory training program. She also attends speech therapy class and sees several specialists regularly.

To help prepare Carol Anne for school, Mrs. Schmidt keeps a special album of photographs from newspapers and magazines. She has helped her

daughter develop a vocabulary of 150 words from photos of houses, cars, boats, etc.

"Joanne has been a big help, too," Mrs. Schmidt points out. "The little one follows her in everything, eating, walking. Of course, she's not as well coordinated as Joanne. You can see that from her knees. They are forever scraped from falls."

Step-by-step the Schmidt family overcomes each new difficulty. They are not alone. The twins were born during one of the most severe rubella epidemics in the history of this country. In New York City alone, there were an estimated 200,000 cases in 1964.

Experimental vaccines to prevent rubella are now being tested, and authorities have expressed hope that an effective vaccine will be available within the next few years.

New Tunnel Through Alps

Chur, Switzerland

A road tunnel through the San Bernardino Mountain range in the Alps of eastern Switzerland was officially opened for traffic Dec. 1.

The four-mile tunnel provides the first fully winter-proof road connection between northern Switzerland and the Italian-speaking southern part of the country.

Starting at an altitude of about 5,350 feet from the village of Hinterrhein in an area where the Rhine rises, it emerges from the mountains again at the village of San Bernardino.

The tunnel saves motorists the twisting drive up to and across the 6,700-foot high San Bernardino pass, which is closed in winter because of snow.

While the new tunnel may not revolutionize European traffic patterns, the Swiss are hoping that it will help to mitigate the relative isolation of their eastern region, especially the canton of Graubunden.

When the modernization of approach roads is completed, the tunnel will provide the most direct road route to Italy from West Germany and northern Europe, through Basle, Zurich, or the Lake Constance region.

The tunnel, which is 25-foot wide, will be able to handle up to

1,500 passenger cars an hour, or about double the capacity of the Great St. Bernhard Tunnel connecting Switzerland and Italy. The Great St. Bernhard Tunnel was opened three years ago.

The third road tunnel under the Alps, opened two years ago, is the seven-mile link between France and Italy, through the 15,875-foot-high Mont Blanc, the highest mountain in Europe.

Fun Fund

Spartanburg, S.C.

In the last 12 years, Wofford College has provided student loans for such things as stereo and hi-fi sets, a trip to a mountain resort,

a second-hand car, and karate lessons.

All of the loans were granted by the college administration through a "pleasure fund," established 12 years ago by an anonymous Wofford graduate who said he didn't want any students to go through Wofford "without having any fun."

More than 1,500 students have borrowed up to \$50 each through the "pleasure fund." Students are charged a \$1 "paper fee" which goes back into the fund when the loan is repaid.

Slow down on icy roads. Even at only 20 mph, your car needs about nine times as far to stop on ice as on dry pavement.

V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSENETTE

By now, Jan. 1, 1968 has come and gone and many of the Veterans of Foreign Wars members are starting the New Year with lots of Faith, Hope, Charity and WORK!!! We wish to all the V.F.W. Post and Auxiliary members, their families and friends the best of health and a prosperous New Year.

This will be a short column but full of important dates.

MEMBERSHIP

Have YOU paid your 1968 dues yet? Please help up with our membership by sending your dues to QM Bissonnette of the Post or Treasurer Anna D. Bissonnette of the Auxiliary. DO IT NOW!!!

MASS. COTTAGE PROGRAM

As we start another year in our Auxiliary I would like to ask each and every sister to please do all that you possibly can to donate to the Massachusetts Cottage Fund. A check will help provide for all the orphan children at the cottage who came from Massachusetts. It will be greatly appreciated.

NATIONAL HOME PROJECT

The National Home Project is part of our National President's "Ten Point Program" and it is very important to this year's reports. I know you want to help make this year the "Year of 100%". It can be done if each of us will do our share. This is what is needed for our National Home 100%.

A—Health and Happiness Fund—\$1.00 per member in the #1632 Auxiliary. (June 30, 1967 Membership Quota will tell you how much is needed).

B—Life Membership—At least one per Auxiliary (\$25.00) This can be either a member's or the Auxiliary's.

C—Christmas Seals from the National Home—Auxiliary should buy at least one sheet and the Auxiliary Members what they can afford.

D—Scholarship Fund—A contribution of your own wishes. These are YOUR A, B, C, D's, for National Citations and Awards. LET'S get with it girls—we've already started 1968 off with a good record. We have a "Life Membership" and we've purchased the Christmas Seals.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 7, District 13, President's meeting at W. S. V.F.W. #6714 at 2:30 p.m.

Jan. 9, V.F.W. AUX. meeting at Post Home, 8 p.m.

Jan. 15, V.F.W. POST meeting at Post Home, South St., 8 p.m.

Jan. 20, Open Department meeting (place and time to be announced).

Jan. 27-28—Mid-winter Conference, Washington, D. C.

Jan. 30, Legislative Dinner

(Members of the General Council).

Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Emily Samplatsky, Mrs. Wilma Gilman and families on the death of their beloved husband and father, Mr. Edward C. Samplatsky of McKinley Ter., Westfield. We are truly sorry, Emily and Wilma. Mrs. Samplatsky is a Past County Director of District 3, American Legion Auxiliary and Wilma, her daughter, a past President of American Legion Auxiliary #185 of Agawam. Mr. Samplatsky was a great help to them in achieving their goals.



Do Yourself a Flavor.

When you cook, it's wonderful how a little culinary ingenuity goes a long way. A little dash of this or a little dot of that often can mean the difference between the ordinary and the extraordinary taste of certain foods. Home economists at the Wise Potato Chip company suggest these ways to add flavor—and subtract time—in your cooking preparations.

*If you want juicier, plumper broiled hamburgers, add a tablespoon of ice water to each pound of ground meat before you shape them into patties.

*Another way to enhance that good old standby—hamburger—especially if you've young folk in the family, is by transforming them into "pizza-burgers." Top the finished burger with tomato sauce, anchovy fillets in criss-cross fashion, a sprinkling of grated cheese, and crumbled Wise Potato Chips (the flavor enhancer). Mama mia! Delicious!

*No time to make hollandaise sauce from scratch? Here's a quickie. Simply heat mayonnaise over low heat, add a few drops of lemon juice to taste, stir gently; and... your "hollandaise" is ready to serve with asparagus, broccoli and French-style green beans.

*For the quickest, tastiest creamed spinach, blend milk with crushed Wise Potato Chips, and cook over low heat until sauce thickens. Keep on stirring! Then, blend in chopped cooked spinach, add a sprinkle of garlic if desired, and reheat if necessary.

Don't just file away these four cooking suggestions. Use them. They save you precious minutes when you're wondering what and how. You can do yourself a flavor—by using these wise shortcuts to good eating.

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

The largest buck killed during the past deer season in Mass. was credited to Dr. Thomas Ashe of Wilbraham. The nine pointer dressed out at 190 pounds. This would be about 250 pounds live weight. Second largest was a 180 lb. (dressed weight) ten point buck shot by Thomas Bruso of Brockton.

Mass. wound up the 1967 deer seasons on Dec. 9 with 1,193 deer taken. Of these, 334 were antlerless, taken on permits, while the remainder were legal bucks including 18 killed during the November archery season. Four does were also taken in the archery season.

The old standby is the only species left to hunt, the rabbit. Sam Provo, "Soapy" Balboni, Bob Jacobs and this writer experienced a very good hunt recently. Sam's dog, "Smokey" and my "Spot" didn't give the snowshoes a bit of rest. Their hot and heavy tonguing was sweet music to our ears. We ended the day with one rabbit in the bag and 2 others to be run another day.

Every year we stock the freezer with rabbits harvested and when the number is sufficient, 12 to 15 rabbit hunters gather together for a feast. The inquiries are coming in all ready and we have just started to fill the larder.

FEES POSTPONED

The Army Corps of Engineers announced recently that the fees in connection with permits for private facilities at reservoirs operated by the Corps, which was scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 1, 1968, has been postponed until Jan. 1, 1969.

The facilities involved include docks and boathouses, swimming and diving platforms, duck blinds, mooring facilities, ski-jump floats and rafts. Until January 1, 1969, the Corps will continue to issue permits for such facilities without charge.

Interesting Statistics

Retail spending on recreational boating in 1967 topped the \$3 billion mark for the first time in history, according to a joint report by two national trade associations.

In their report — "Boating, 1967" — the Boating Industry Assoc., and the National Assoc. on Engine and Boat Manufacturers estimated that Americans spent \$3,000,100,000 on new and used boating equipment, insurance, fuel, docking and other services. The annual profile of the sport also showed that 41,375,000 persons went boating more than twice last year, utilizing about 8,275,000 craft of all types, compared with 40.4 million persons and 8.07 million boats the year before.

Skilled workers—though they make up only 13.2 per cent of the employed population accounted for the biggest share of outboard motor sales to employed persons: 27.6 per cent. Semi-skilled workers were the second largest group of employed outboard motor buyers, with 23.6 per cent share, versus 16.3 per cent last year.

The report said the breakdown of the mammoth fleet was as follows: 4,843,000 outboard motors; 591,000 inboard boats, including auxiliary - powered sailboats; 561,000 sailboats without inboard power and 2,280,000 rowboats, canoes, prams, dinghies and miscellaneous craft, many used with outboard power.

Brushes, You Say?

Hartford, Conn.

Old jokes about the Fuller brush man will have to be updated. For the "man" ringing your doorbell may turn out to be a woman.

In another blow for equality of the sexes, the Fuller Brush Company has made permanent its Fullerette program, employing women in door-to-door selling.

Avard E. Fuller, president, said that its Fullerettes "working

WINTER WOES by Pinson



*She could see outward only in peeks,
Dead wiper blades causing the streaks
That she had to look through—
And which hampered her view—
Now her car won't be fixed up for weeks!*

PREVENT THOSE WINTER DRIVING WOES

The Safe Winter Driving League presents the following tip for safer winter driving from the National Safety Council: "Don't be a 'peep-hole pilot.' Brush snow completely off front, back and side windows. Replace dead wiper blades with live, new ones to prevent streaking. All your lights should be working, with headlights aimed properly. You must see danger to avoid it."

three hours a day can sell as much as, and often more than, one man working nine hours."

Mr. Fuller explained that a Fullerette will often spend 20 minutes visiting where a man would be in and out in 5 minutes.

But the women still manage to meet or beat men's records—they make bigger sales to each customer.

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Start Now To Put Yourself In Shape

Your doctor recognizes the importance of exercise to health.

The American Medical Association points out that exercise, or lack of it, is often a significant factor in the control of obesity, diabetes, heart and circulatory problems, orthopedic disease and emotional disorders.

Fitness developed through vigorous activity and exercise can be preventive, as well as therapeutic, in nature.

In a positive sense, health includes abundant energy and vitality. A healthy person is physically fit when he can perform his daily work and tasks without undue fatigue, maintain adequate reserves of energy to enjoy recreational activities and leisure, and meet the challenge of unexpected demands. These might be running to catch a train, quickly climbing several flights of stairs, shoveling snow, or jacking up the car to change a tire.

Can you go up several flights of stairs without severe discomfort, chest pain, or having to stop before you reach the top? You would expect to be puffing a little at the top, but this should subside soon if you are reasonably fit.

The best exercise is doing something physically active which you enjoy, with the exercise part secondary. If you enjoy swimming or tennis, or handball, these are ex-

cellent sports for exercising most of the body. Golf is good for the tired businessman. Most of us, however, find it difficult to exert the mental discipline to keep at



a program of daily calisthenics purely for the sake of exercise.

If you have had little or no exercise for years, be cautious about plunging immediately into active sports. Work up to strenuous exercise gradually.

There are simple tests by which your doctor can determine the extent of your physical fitness. If you flunk the tests miserably, and many of us will, then ask your doctor to prescribe a simple, daily exercise program to help you get back in shape. 1-68



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U.S. PLANE LOSSES PASS 3,000 MARK

Saigon

United States aircraft losses in the Vietnam war have passed the 3,000 mark, the American command reports.

Of those lost, 716 warplanes went down over North Vietnam in the three-year-old bombing campaign. Eight helicopters have also been lost over the north.

Over South Vietnam, headquarters reported, a total of 216 warplanes and 431 helicopters have been lost to Communist gunners.

Other plane losses were put at 846, and other helicopter losses at 747. These include:

—Combat aircraft lost to operational causes other than enemy action.

—Support aircraft such as observation planes and cargo planes destroyed by either enemy action or operational causes.

—All other losses in connection with the war including aircraft destroyed on the ground by Communist mortar, artillery, or ground attacks.



FOUL-WATER FISHING

How often have you decided against going fishing because of reports of muddy water? It's a natural reaction, especially this time of year when rains whisk silt down the rivers and into lakes. For many, fishing comes to a standstill.

However, muddy water should be no real deterrent, says the fishing experts at Mercury outboards. It simply calls for a change in tactics, switching to a style of fishing that is particularly suited to cloudy water conditions.

Remember, fish use senses other than sight when feeding, so, like fishing at night, work on the idea that you should offer a bass something he can hear, smell and taste when you fish the murky waters.

Natural baits such as minnows, crawfish or a gob of worms will attract feeding fish, regardless of conditions. To make it even more noticeable, attach a cork carved into a concave shape about two feet up from the hook. When this cork and bait are cast, a loud "plop" reverberates through the water. This rig can be either cast or jigged up and down briskly with a long cane pole, and with surprising results.

To locate fish, try to cover as much water as possible by cruising slowly, but steadily, along the shoreline. Carefully work around stumps and rocks where fish are almost certain to be, and look for spots where the muddy water is just starting to clear. Give this a try; it's a method that might become your favorite.

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT

With Blue Hubbard squash plentiful and still low-priced, now is the time for farsighted homemakers to stock up for all-winter use right into spring. This type is so durable that it keeps well even in a warm room, provided you start with scar-free squash. "The grand old squash," as it is known in New England, is still No. 1 despite the inroads of other varieties like butternut and but-tercup in recent decades.

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Voluntary Community Survey Questionnaire

(All Persons 65 or Older)

Please answer all questions by putting a check mark in the appropriate places and add any comments you wish to make.

TRANSPORTATION

1. Do you need transportation? Yes..... No.....
2. Do you have your own transportation? Yes..... No.....
3. If not, is other transportation available? Yes..... No.....
4. Would you like a chance to get out more? Yes..... No.....

DROP IN CENTER

1. Do you think Agawam should have a Center for Senior Citizens? Yes..... No.....
2. If the Center were established would you use it? Yes..... No.....
3. What would you suggest in the Center?

..... Snack bar Reading room
..... Color TV Games, puzzles
..... Films Library
..... Other suggestions	
4. Would you volunteer your services in

..... Planning Programming Operating
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 such a Center?

RECREATION

1. What are your favorite skills, hobbies or pastimes?

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2. Would you be interested in any of the following?

..... Leather Craft Ceramics Bus Trips
..... Painting Rug Hooking Photography
..... Other interests		

EDUCATION

1. Do you attend evening Adult Education Courses? Yes..... No.....
2. Would you attend Adult Education Courses in the afternoon if they were free? Yes..... No.....
3. What courses would interest you?
4. Would you like assistance in developing hobbies or projects at home? Yes..... No.....

HEALTH

1. Are you in good health..... Fair health..... Invalid.....?
2. Do you have Blue Cross-Blue Shield Medicare Other Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid)
3. Do you have regular physical checkups? Yes..... No.....
4. If a daily hot meal was made available at a convenient location at a nominal fee, would you use the service? Yes..... No.....
5. If you are unable to prepare a hot meal daily, would you like it brought to your home for a nominal fee? Yes..... No.....
6. Do you need help with housekeeping Yes..... No.....
7. Would you like someone to visit you periodically? Yes..... No.....

HOUSING

1. Do you feel that more "Housing for the Elderly" is needed in your community? Yes..... No.....
2. If an apartment were available in a "Housing for the Elderly" Project, would you take it if you were eligible? Yes..... No.....
3. How much do you spent for rent per month?

Less than \$60	\$67-71	\$71-80	\$80 or over
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4. Does your rent include heat? Yes..... No.....
5. Does your rent include utilities? Yes..... No.....
6. Is your housing adequate? Yes..... No.....
7. Do you have relatives with whom you could live? Yes..... No.....
8. How many live in your home?

1	2	3	4	more
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VOLUNTEER SERVICES

1. How much time do you have to donate to help others?

..... 1 hour a week 10 hours a week
..... 5 hours a week more than 10 hours a week
2. In your free time would you like to work with

..... the young? the disabled? the elderly?
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CHURCH, CLUB, ORGANIZATIONS

1. Church Affiliation
2. Club Membership
3. Other organizations

LIBRARY

1. Do you use the services of a library? Yes..... No.....
2. Which one?
3. If not, why?

BLUE CARD

1. Do you have a Blue Card for special consideration from the merchants? Yes..... No.....
2. Would you like one? Yes..... No.....

CENSUS SURVEY

1. Do you live alone?..... with family?..... with friends?..... in a nursing home?.....
2. Are you over 65....., over 70....., over 80....., over 90.....?

YOUR NAME

ADDRESS

TV GUIDE NEWS

TOUGH BEARD

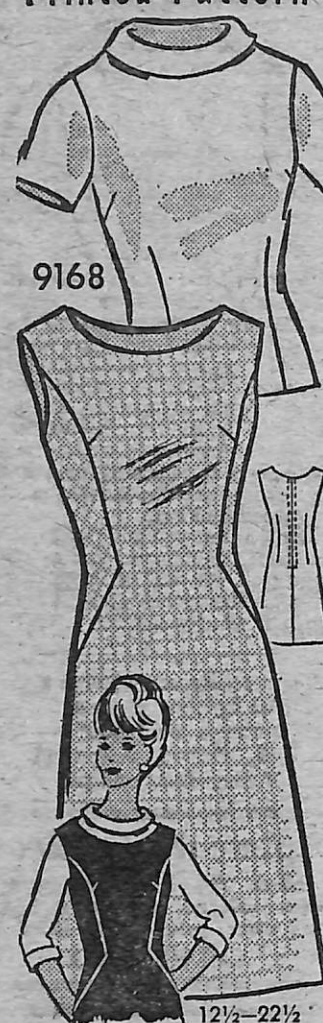
Producing some of those fascinating TV commercials is a lot more difficult than it seems. TV Guide reports the case of a script that called for shaving the whiskers of a lion to dramatize the slogan, "Soften the world's toughest whiskers." The lion was uncooperative; he licked off nine cans of lather. When the beast was finally prepared, three attempts to shave it resulted in broken razor blades. The crew then learned from a visiting SPCA representative that a lion's whiskers can only be cut by a hacksaw or bolt cutter. The intrepid ad men solved the problem; they changed the slogan!

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LIFE IMITATES ART

Twelve miles south of Last Chance Gulch, near Helena, Mont., there is a real Ponderosa cattle ranch, and it's owned by a Cartwright—Claude, in this case. TV Guide magazine reports that he didn't name his place the Ponderosa until after Bonanza appeared on TV. Cartwright has four grandsons. The youngest is called "Little Joe."

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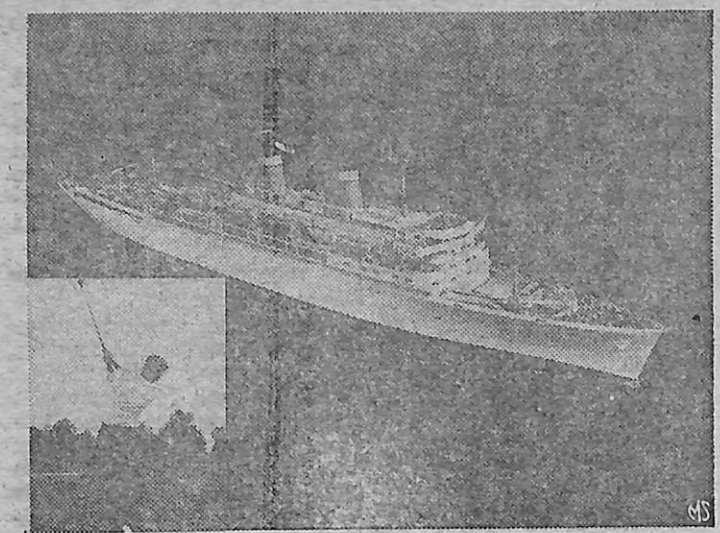
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BY GEOFFREY VANCE



CRUISES SWINGING FROM OCEAN BLUE TO PUTTING GREEN

A unique new idea in cruise travel is proving as welcome as a hole-in-one to golfers who have to spend the winter months at the proverbial 19th hole while frozen off the first 18. Created as a break with the stodgy style of the past, these new cruises aboard the S. S. Constitution are providing an atmosphere of a combination floating luxury hotel and country club.

Scheduled to sail for San Juan, St. Maarten, and St. Thomas in the Caribbean on January 2, 10 and 17, the seven and eight day cruises will feature top name entertainment in a nightclub geared toward the modern generation. Headline attractions ashore: Bobby Darin, Milton Berle, the Chavales de Espana and Pat Collins, internationally-acclaimed hypnotist. In addition, there will be shore excursions, choice of dinner show at one of San Juan's four outstanding hotel/nightclubs, and a free transfer in St. Thomas for shopping and additional sight-seeing—all included in the package rate.

By far, the most unique feature of the cruise is a golf

Calcutta at sea for passengers only. A match will be held at the El Conquistador, the newest and most challenging golf course in the Caribbean. Ten thousand dollars in prizes are to be awarded to the winning foursome as well as the lowest individual net score. Official handicaps must be submitted.

Golf clinics will be held aboard ship, with professional PGA members specifically instructed under the Arnold Palmer method. The program will include the special Arnold Palmer electronic driving range facilities, including instant video retake, driving nets, sand traps and putting greens.

Diner's/Fugazy Sales Corp., 488 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. are the general sales managers for these one-class cruises on the American Export Isbrandsten Lines. The entire cruise can be charged on the Diner's Club credit card, with up to 24 months to pay if desired. Additional information can be obtained by writing to the general sales managers or through local travel agencies.

quantities of vitamin C and small amounts of other vitamins and minerals.

As a rule, sweet potatoes are not good keepers. So it's best to

buy them in small lots and use them promptly says Gisela Pass, Extension Home Economist with the Hampden County Extension Service.

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Roof Tops the List In House Protection

When buying or building a home, don't overlook the importance of the roof in providing long-term protection and good looks for the house, and assuring comfort and security for your family.

Any house is a sizable investment, so it pays to be sure that essential building products like the roof will give you lasting value for your money.

Here are some roof pointers you should consider before making the down payment. If you aren't knowledgeable about roofs, get the answers from the builder or architect.

- Is the roofing material top quality, and is it backed by the manufacturer? Asphalt shingles, seen on most new homes, provide highly durable, low-maintenance roofing. The heavier the shingle, the longer the life expectancy. For instance, asphalt shingles weighing 290 or more pounds per square, are designed to last at least 20 to 25 years.

- Was the roof properly installed? If so, shingles should lie flat and even with no ripples in the roof surface. Check the roof to be sure that workmen have not caused damage to the roof during other phases of house construction.

- Is the roofing material fire resistant? This is a vital factor for your family's safety. Find

out if the material has passed Underwriters' Laboratories tests for resistance to fire, flame spread and burning brands.

- Is the roof wind resistant? Interlocking shingles or self-sealers — which have an adhesive strip that bonds each shingle to the one below — are recommended for all roofs, especially those in high-wind areas.

- Does the roof enhance the over-all appearance of the house? Modern roofing materials, such as asphalt shingles, now come in a wide range of attractive colors to blend with sidewalls, trim and other exterior features. The heavier weight shingles, which have thicker tabs, provide heavy shadow lines and give an interesting textured look to the roof surface.

- Does the roof have a wide enough overhang to shade windows and sidewalls from the sun, and protect them from the rain?

- Does the roof have sufficient pitch to allow storage space in the attic or permit attic expansion into living quarters if needed?

If the answer to these questions is "yes," then you're getting a good, efficient roof that will add value and enjoyment to your new home.

CHEERY CHERRY NUT BREAD

1/2 cup sugar
1 egg
1 1/4 cups milk
3 cups Bisquick
1 cup candied cherries, sliced
3/4 cup chopped Brazil nuts or other nuts

Heat oven to 350°. Grease loaf pan, 9x5x3 inches. Mix sugar, egg, milk and Bisquick; beat vigorously 30 seconds. Stir in cherries and nuts. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 50 to 60 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Crack in top is characteristic. Cool and wrap in aluminum foil. Store one day before slicing.

For gift wrapping — wrap in plastic, tie with a holiday bow.

BANANA-APRICOT BREAD

3 cups Bisquick
3/4 cup sugar
1 egg
1/2 cup milk
1 cup mashed bananas (2 to 3)
3/4 cup chopped nuts
3/4 cup chopped dried apricots

Heat oven to 350°. Grease loaf pan, 9x5x3 inches. Mix Bisquick, sugar, egg, milk and bananas. Beat vigorously 30 seconds. Stir in nuts and apricots. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 55 to 60 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.

Little loaves of nut bread make charming holiday gifts, too. Divide the nut bread batter equally among six well-greased miniature loaf pans, 4 1/4 x 2 1/2 x 1 1/2 inches. Bake at 350° about 35 minutes. Cool and gift wrap.

Indian Investors

Washington

Interior Secretary Stewart L. Udall has authorized the Navajo Indian tribe to take up to \$10 million out of banks and the United States Treasury and invest it in stocks.

The tribe's \$10 million scholarship fund has been earning a legal maximum of 5 1/2 percent interest, compounded quarterly, in bank deposits and 4 percent annually in the Treasury.

The announcement said the tribe believes it can earn more by investment.

As in the past, the net annual income will go toward scholarships for Navajo young people.

Mr. Udall, writing to Raymond Nakai, chairman of the Navajo tribal council, praised the tribe for its action.

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By Jack Haber, Editor
The G.Q. Scene

Where/Wear of Dating

It's Saturday afternoon, and you're sitting around with some of the guys just rapping, forgetting about everything, even that groovy date you have — when somebody says, "What are you going to do tonight?" This is the kind of Saturday afternoon question that can be answered with "I don't know; what are you going to do?" and go on for three hours in the same vein—until suddenly, it's Saturday night. Since I played many a starring and supporting role in these Saturday afternoon sessions, I know the usual solution is to go to that tired, old, played-out neighborhood movie — the same place you've been going to (and probably your date has, too) ever since you were seven. Not that the movies aren't better than ever, but...

You've probably long since found out that you have a better time doing something more original. Like what? Well, if you live in or near a big city, you're lucky, because there's always the airport. Watch the departures, arrivals, and pretend you're going somewhere, too. Your date will love it because you're imaginative. (You'll love it because it's inexpensive.) All this traveling can make you hungry — so splurge on a pizza or an enormous sundae.

As editor of G.Q. Scene magazine guys are always writing to me about this problem of what to do as well as what to wear when doing it. I'm a staunch advocate of casual dress for most dates (unless the occasion absolutely demands a suit) — because it's more comfortable and because there are so many varieties of gear to choose from. This year, I like the looks of that old stand-by — the CPO jacket — updated in glen plaids or canvas. On the bolder side, the houndstooth and plaid slacks should certainly be noted — they're great conversational ice-breakers as well as being good-looking.

But, when you get right down to the nitty-gritty of it — knowing who you are and acting it — are just as important as where you go and what you wear.

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Don't Worry, Chicken Little

Chicago

The Chicagoan leaned back, back, trying to see the top.

"They've stolen another piece of our sky," he said. "Crammed it full of steel beams. And now they're stuffing the holes with chips of glass."

And he was right.

Weeks ago the broad-shouldered John Hancock Center poked its head above the other Michigan Avenue giants, making them look like somebody's kid brother. By early November it stretched two stories past the halfway point, and on that day that block-thick steel gate was unquestionably the city's highest building. At this writing, it's up to 66 stories.

The building will have five floors of shops, six for parking, 28 for office space, a plaza for tenants, 47 for apartments, and six for restaurants, observatory, and mechanical equipment. A high-speed elevator will reach the 94th floor observatory in 39 seconds.

The steelworkers keep swinging the beams up, poking holes in careless clouds that wander in off

the lake, shoving on toward that 100-story mark.

Now the word is spreading that somebody—nobody will say who—has plans for an even higher building on the drawing board here. This is the city that invented the skyscraper, so it is probably true.

Which means Chicken Little should have little to fear. The sky couldn't fall if it tried, with all of the props they're sticking up.

Pittsburgh, Pa., News—"There is at present, according to medical authorities, a shortage of about 500,000 doctors in the U.S. . . . We suggest that students—both boys and girls . . . give serious thought to making a career of medicine."

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